

Amendments to the specification are indicated in the attached "Marked Up Version of Amendments" (page i).

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (978) 341-0036.

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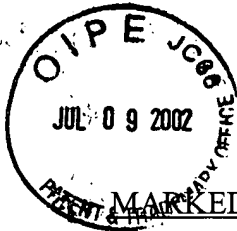
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MARKED UP VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

Specification Amendments Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(iii)

Replace the paragraph at page 1 of the specification, lines 7 through 12 with the below paragraph marked up by way of bracketing and underlining to show the changes relative to the previous version of the paragraph.

RELATED APPLICATION(S)

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/233,395, filed September 18, 2000, entitled "System High Availability Manager," and is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/[ ] 954,471 filed September 17, 2001 entitled "System Resource Availability Manager," the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.